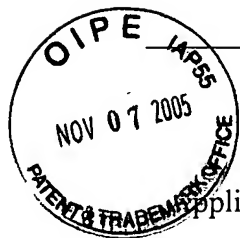


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**Mail Stop Amendment**  
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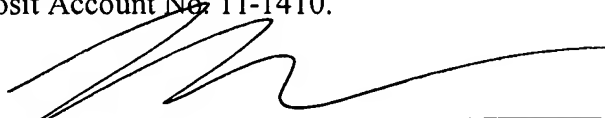
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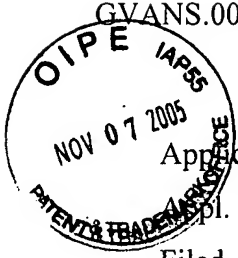
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 8, 2005, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.